

## The Times' Daily Short Story.

## An Intelligent Boatman

(Original.)

Miss Lila Ives, needing rest and country air, went to a lake in the mountains for the summer season. She took with her some books and a tonic that the doctor had given her, and the morning after her arrival, with a book under her arm, went to the landing to hire a launch. A boatman agreed to take her round the lake, and, seating herself in a wicker chair, the boatman went forward, took the helm and started the motor. Miss Ives sat with her book in her lap looking at the scenery. Presently she remembered that she had her tonic in her pocket. Raising the bottle, she read the printing on the label. It seemed to puzzle her. Presently she said to the boatman:

"Did you ever go to school?"

"Oh, yes."

"Study Latin?"

"Some."

"I'm puzzled at the meaning of a word. Perhaps you can help me. Not that it needs much knowledge, only what a schoolboy should know."

"What's the word?"

"Ferrated."

"It means ironed."

"Ironed? Like clothes from the wash?"

"No, iron in it."

"Oh! Now I understand. Thanks."

Miss Ives relapsed into silence. Presently she asked:

"Did you study any Greek at your school?"

"Some of us did."

"If you could go on in its study so as to read the Greek poets you would find them very rich, so I'm told."

"I don't need to read them in the original, since our modern poets have been drawing on them for centuries."

Miss Ives was astonished. What did this common fellow know about poetry? Yet Burns was a plowman, and he wrote beautiful poetry. Perhaps this man was one of that kind.

"Do you write poetry?" she asked.

"Oh, dear, no! That's not in my line. But I read it."

"What do you mean by your line? What is your line?"

"Running this launch just now."

"Do you always run it?"

"Not in winter. I'd have to turn it into an ice boat if I did."

There was more silence, during which the boatman curved his craft around the end of the lake and started back. Miss Ives had grown a trifle afraid of him. She couldn't make him out.

"I suppose," she asked haltingly—"I suppose you have a favorite poet, haven't you?"

"No; I don't know that I have."

"Longfellow is mine."

"He had a way of taking other people's productions and infusing into

them a certain sweetness that was all his own."

Miss Ives was as much startled as if an owl had given a criticism on the hook of Job. For the rest of the trip she shut herself up like a steel trap. When she reached the landing the boatman stepped on to the boards and held the launch's nose while Miss Ives also made her exit. She went up to him and handed him half a dollar, feeling very much as if she were offering a tip to a gentleman. He took it, put it in his pocket and tied his boat, while she walked demurely to her hotel.

Miss Ives the next morning was suddenly called back home and did not get out of the city again during the summer. Her curiosity had been excited, and she resolved to go again the next season to the lake in order to solve the riddle of the boatman. When July came she did so and the morning after her arrival went down to the landing to hire the launch. The launch was there, but in the hands of another man.

"What has become of the man who ran this launch last year?" she asked.

"I bought the boat of him; hope I'll do as well as he did. He paid for it in July and made \$500 in August."

"Why doesn't he run it this year?"

"Oh, he's a grad."

"A what?"

"The corporation is to send him abroad to study to be 'prof.' of the romances."

"Prof. of the romances! What do you mean by that?"

"Professor of the romance languages."

Miss Ives caught her breath.

"Has he gone yet?"

"No; he doesn't go till fall. He'll be here presently to give me a little coaching on this motor. There he is now."

A respectable looking young man in a blue serge suit came sauntering down to the dock. Miss Ives envied a frog she saw plunge into the lake and disappear. The boatman of last year recognized her. There was an amused expression on his face. Miss Ives was badly rattled.

"I've been thinking of you ever since last summer," she said, then paused and blushed. "I mean that I've been wondering how a boatman could criticize great poets."

"He can't; he only thinks he can. Nobody can do that. Large masses of readers are the only critics."

"Why didn't you tell me?"

"What that I was what the country-men about here call 'one o' them student chaps that scratches for knowledge in winter and money in summer'?"

Miss Ives' unintentional admission that she had been thinking of him for a year started what in youth needs but little impulse. When the professor of the romance languages returned to take his chair at the university he also took upon himself vows which can only be broken in those states having easy divorce laws. ARLINE PHILLIPS.

## WHAT IS WORN.

**Jaunty Runabout Suits—New Ideas For Bathing Costumes—Vanity Bags.**

Cotton beige suiting looks very like wool and is used for jaunty little runabout suits.

Bandanna handkerchiefs make picturesque headresses for wear with bathing suits and completely hide the unsightly rubber cap.

The very latest bathing suits are cut all in one, then plaited in about the waist and hips like the princess gowns. A stunning shirt waist suit is made of white satin faced silk, with coin



BOY'S TAILORED KLOUSEL

dots of black at intervals of five inches. A touch of color is given by a pale pink empire girder.

Tattling is a modish trimming for children's and grownups' morning dresses.

One of the novelties of the season is the wearing of a quiet gown with bright lined accessories. A woman in a shepherd's plaid suit, for instance, will wear a red hat, girder and hand bag, while a white gowned young woman will array herself in a necktie of parrot green, with hat and parasol to match.

The tailored blouse for a small boy pictured is a neat model carried out in heavy white linen. Collar, side strip and cuffs are of red and white linen cut on the bias.

JUDIC CHOLLET.

## BRITISH BRIEFS.

For every 4 shillings spent in Britain on drink only a halfpenny is expended on education.

The English agricultural laborer gets 18s. 3d. a week against 19s. 3d. in Scotland and an average of 19s. 11d. in Ireland.

Ireland's high water mark in population was reached in 1841. She had then 8,175,124 people. She has now fewer than 4,500,000.

Gibraltar is the smallest British possession. It measures less than two square miles. Canada is the biggest, with 3,746,000 square miles.

Owing to the large profits accruing from the various municipal undertakings at Bolton, England, for last year, the corporation has been able to hand over in relief of the taxes the sum of \$217,500.

In London the other day an Australian postage stamp, the fourpenny blue, with the swan inverted, was offered at auction and was withdrawn when \$2,000 had been offered. Only nine specimens are known to exist. One was sold a short time ago for \$2,000.

## SHORT STORIES.

The first instance of collaboration in English literature was that of the plays by Beaumont and Fletcher.

Astronomers are the longest lived of any class, not even excepting clergy. Thirteen of the great astronomers have been over ninety at their death and thirty-two over eighty.

In Rockland, Me., the other day a shipment of live lobsters was made to Seattle, Wash., which is believed to be the longest distance thus far for a consignment of that kind.

"This town," says the Washington (Kan.) Republican-Register, "has a young man who pawned his watch to obtain money for a bath. We contend that this is a claim for distinction possessed by no other town on earth."

One of the curious customs in congress is to furnish free lemonade for senators, while representatives must pay for the same luxury. The latter are beginning to grumble at what they call discrimination. No one seems to understand why the distinction is made.

## Queer Drinks.

Some peasants in Russia will pledge their friends in a goblet of unrefined oil, and not so long ago dwellers on the American prairies esteemed a glass of buffalo's blood the richest drink on earth.

# John Hancock

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## MRS. ROOSEVELT AND AIGRETS.

More Opposed to Their Use in Millinery Than Is the President.

Oyster Bay, Aug. 6.—President Roosevelt, in a letter written to William Duteher, president of the national association of Audubon societies, made public Saturday, speaking for both himself and Mrs. Roosevelt, expresses hearty sympathy with the efforts of the society to prevent the sale and use of white heron plumes commonly known as "aigrets," which are worn on women's hats. Mr. Duteher in a letter to the president said that Queen Alexandra of England has recently publicly made known her disapproval of the use of the plumes, and suggested that similar expression from Mrs. Roosevelt would do more toward abolishing them as millinery ornaments than months of work by the Audubon societies. The president's letter in reply was as follows:

My Dear Mr. Duteher: Permit me on behalf of both Mrs. Roosevelt and myself to say how heartily we sympathize not only with the work of the Audubon societies generally, but particularly in their efforts to stop the sale and use of the so-called "aigrets"—the plumes of the white herons. If anything, Mrs. Roosevelt feels even more strongly than I do in the matter. Sincerely yours,

Theodore Roosevelt.

Oyster Bay, N. Y., July 18.

## RUNAWAY BOYS CAUGHT.

Two Who Escaped From Industrial School Taken Back.

Burlington, Aug. 6.—The two boys, Milo Ennis and Fred Gonyeau who escaped from the Industrial school Thursday evening were found yesterday morning by J. M. Sears at Thompson's crossing, Charlotte and brought to Charlotte depot where they were placed in the hands of Superintendent Ingalls who was at once telephoned for. The lads were brought over on a hand car. Gonyeau was committed from Burlington.

## DEATH FOR ASSAULT ON WOMAN.

This Has Been Recommended by Chicago Grand Jury.

Chicago, Aug. 4.—Punishment by death is recommended by the July grand jury as the maximum penalty for attacks on women. The recommendation was made in its final report, which was handed Judge Duway in the superior court Thursday. Changes in existing laws prohibiting punishment for assaults on children also were recommended by the jury. The action of the grand jury is the result of the long continuing prevalence in Chicago of such crimes.

## STATEMENT BY THAW'S MOTHER.

On the Best of Terms With Her Son's Wife and Agrees With Him.

New York, Aug. 6.—For the first time since her return to the United States after her son's arrest for the murder of Stanford White, Mrs. William Thaw at New York Saturday expressed a desire to make a statement for publication. While in the office of Clifford W. Hastings, her son's attorney, she said: "It was not on account of my influence on the part of my son that I changed my plans about this case. When I came to New York I began to look into the matter and study it. From my own observations, from all that I could gather, I concluded that my son is absolutely in the right, and I have taken his view of the case. Another impression that I wish to contradict is that there has ever been any disagreement or misunderstanding between either my son or myself, or between Harry's wife and myself. We are all on the best of terms, and are working heart and head together. I really do not see why I should be called upon to deny all these silly stories of disagreements. Evelyn and myself have often visited Harry together. I am sure that neither of us has acted as if there was any ill feeling between us. If I have appeared otherwise, I am sure that it must be understood that I am burdened with the greatest sorrow of my life."

Mrs. William Thaw and Mrs. Harry Thaw drove to the Tomb Saturday and spent about an hour with Thaw, who seemed to be in the best of humor. He said that he had never been in better physical condition in his life.

## RUTLAND TAILOR DIES SUDDENLY.

M. W. Everin Passes Away While in Doctor's Office.

Rutland, Aug. 6.—M. W. Everin, a tailor well known in this city, died suddenly Saturday while in the office of Dr. L. A. Heibel on Center street where he had gone for treatment. Mr. Everin had been employed in the store of Howley & O'Brien for some time. He was 42 years old.

The deceased left his home about 9 o'clock in the morning, feeling sick. About 11:30 o'clock he went to the physician's office and told of his sufferings. The doctor, after making an examination, stepped aside to get some medicine, and was surprised to see his patient collapse. Mr. Everin died almost immediately. He was a native of Rutland, and was the son of Francis and Mary (O'Brien) Everin of West Rutland, and one sister, Mrs. John McGray of Quincy, Mass., also survive him.

## SILK STOCKINGS MEET

PROCTOR AND PROUTY IGNORE THE COMMON PEOPLE

Tour and Conference of Interested Politicians—Protest Against Bottomholing—Value of Publicity—The Silent Vote.

Candidates Proctor and Prouty made a trip about the state recently. They met and consulted their friends. They made short speeches and a great deal was said about the Grand Old Party. This sort of campaigning is new in Vermont. It shows the alarm that has pervaded the ranks of the Proctor Republicans. It shows one other thing:

## Political Aristocrats.

The Proctor campaign is of the "silk stocking" type. The ordinary voter was not asked to meet the candidates. The "plain people" were not invited to these conferences. The barbers, printers, shoe repairers, farmers and livery stable proprietors, as a certain "silk stocking" newspaper so offensively puts it, were not consulted. It was the petty boss and the cross-roads politician that were called into council—not the humble voter.

What follows? It must be plain to everyone that the Proctor Republicans have no basis of appeal to the voter. They depend entirely on the politician and the politician forgets that he depends on the voter. Is this sort of political aristocracy going to win in September?

A change is taking place in the political thought of Vermont that cannot fail to be healthy. The paid lackey of a party machine, backed by a huge campaign fund, his pockets bulging with fine cigars and his face wreathed in insinuating smiles, is being discounted by the printed proof of public extravagance that makes that lackey possible.

## Value of Printer's Ink

Publicity for state affairs has set the dumbest man thinking and the voter who takes home his family newspaper has begun to question its editorial opinion. If he finds elsewhere in that newspaper facts and figures that its editor cannot explain. The country newspaper is the greatest single instrument for shaping public opinion, but, if that newspaper only publishes half the story, it must not be surprised if its readers go elsewhere for the rest of it.

This is especially true when a candidate or party ticket that has been selected with the sole intention of continuing a certain political family in power, even if that family's control of state politics has been responsible for doubling our public expense and the editor has raised no protest against wasting the people's money.

## The Great Silent Vote

It is these quiet, thoughtful people who do not appear in political conferences, who have no office-seeking axe to grind and who are forming independent habits of thought that the Proctor Republicans have to fear. And just so surely as the charges of waste and extravagance remain unanswered, just so surely as the state treasury is needlessly drained of the public funds, just so surely as the evils of double taxation remain unended, just so surely will this silent vote rise and drive the machine politician from the halls of power.

And the strange, inexplicable feature of the situation is the fact that Mr. Proctor and his friends are carefully ignoring these people and cultivating the "silk stocking" element of the party, composed of office-seekers, office-holders and political leaders of various kinds.

## The Voter and the Boss

The candidate or party that dares to ignore the silent man is courting political disaster. The Republican who sets up false social distinctions in a state where simplicity is the basis of our government will speedily become acquainted with the leveling power of the ballot and a campaign that depends on public approval must finally take the "plain people" into its confidence.

Voters, the issue lies between the aristocracy of power and the republicanism of the ballot box. Where will you vote in September?

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## CULLOM DEFEATS YATES.

Senator Wins Primaries of City by 20,000 Over Governor.

Chicago, Ill., Aug. 6.—The returns from 535 precincts out of 1253 in Chicago show that the vote at the primaries was very light, and the indications are that Shelby M. Cullom, for United States senator, will have a plurality over Richard Yates of about 20,000.

## EAST MONTPELIER.

The state highway tax in the town of East Montpelier for 1906 was \$319.64. Her appointment by the state was \$619.12. Her gain under the present system of taxation was \$183.37. Mr. Clement's Democratic platform would deprive East Montpelier of this material gain. Will the voters of E. Montpelier stand for it?—Adv.

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## LATCH-KEY

IS NOW OUT

Cabot Is Ready To Entertain Guests

IN ITS OLD HOME WEEK

Programme Commences Next Sunday, August 12, and Will Continue Through Entire Week, Closing Following Sunday.

Cabot, Aug. 6.—The program and invitations for Old Home Week are out and eagerly distributed, and preparations are progressing for carrying out the same from August 12 to the 19.

The program begins on Sunday, the 12th, with union services at the Congregational church at 10:45, sermon by one of the resident pastors. The services will be conducted old style; tables will be spread in the vestry and a chance to make coffee for all those who wish to bring their lunch and remain to the afternoon service. The afternoon service will commence at 2 o'clock; sermon by the venerable A. L. Cooper, who was the pastor of the Methodist church in this town 1853.

Monday, general visiting. Tuesday, picnic on the plain in the grove of Hartwell Stone, near where the first settlement of the town was begun, also where Gen. Hazen's army camped in the winter of 1778.

Wednesday, visiting. In the evening the dramatic club will entertain the public at Good Templars' hall, with the drama, "Neighbor Jackwood."

Thursday, general celebration in the village. The exercises will be held in a large tent on the common, where speaking and singing will be given by former and present residents of the town. Coffee, tea and lemonade will be furnished free for all those that wish to bring their lunch.

The exercises of the week will close with union services at the Methodist church, Aug. 19, Sunday, conducted by two native born clergymen, Rev. Fred Blodgett and Carroll D. Lance.

Our latch string is out and everybody is invited to come and enjoy the festivities of the week with us.

## WAS PATIENT SUFFERER.

Mrs. Marilla Bliss Died at Calais Last Friday.

Calais, Aug. 6.—Mrs. Marilla Bliss, widow of the late Joseph Bliss, died at her home here at 3:30 o'clock Friday afternoon of cancer of the stomach with which she has patiently suffered for a long time. She was operated on at Burlington in April and her condition there was such it was not thought she would come out from under the influence of the ether. She appeared better for a time afterward, but five weeks ago took to the bed and death finally relieved intense suffering. During her final illness her thoughts were of others and recently she asked one of the ladies caring for her to make over some clothes for one of the town's poor, which work she had done. Mrs. A. C. Hall, of Putnamville, and Mrs. Flora Bliss assisted in the care during her final illness.

The deceased was born in Calais, a daughter of Lemuel Perry and spent her entire life in the town, also the 46 years of married life where she died. Frank, her son, resided with her. She is survived by two sons, Joseph and Frank Bliss, also two grandchildren. The funeral took place Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the church at Calais, Rev. Van Blarcom officiating.

## FUSIONISTS NOMINATE.

Those of Windham County Place Full Ticket in Field.

Battleboro, Aug. 6.—The Windham county Democrats and Independent Republicans held conventions here Saturday and unanimously nominated the following fusion county ticket.

Senators, George B. Albee of Rockingham and William A. Brown of Whitehall; state attorney, John E. Gale of Guilford; sheriff, D. H. Gray of Rockingham; side judges, George O. Guild of Rockingham and E. W. Blodgett of Battleboro; high bailiff, L. O. Wilbur of Londonderry; judges of probate, John B. Minard of Saxtons River, Westminster district; Frederick W. Childs of Battleboro, Marlboro district.

The Democratic convention met in Festival hall and the independent convention in Grange hall. A conference committee of five was appointed from each and a joint ticket was agreed upon without dispute. Resolutions condemning the Republican state machine were passed.

## STOLE \$125,000 FROM BANK.

Embezzlement from Union Trust Company of Pittsburgh.

Pittsburg, Pa., Aug. 6.—The bank's version of the \$125,000 embezzled from the Union trust company several days ago, was given out Saturday in a statement issued by H. C. McDowd, president of the trust company. The statement says: "On Wednesday, August 1, while a bookkeeper, C. S. Hixson, was on his vacation, a discrepancy was found in his books in the Union trust company. Hixson was immediately arrested, and has made a complete confession. In his confession he stated that, acting jointly with C. B. Wray, a teller, he had stolen \$125,000, dividing the money equally. Wray, the teller, taking the money off the counter while Hixson, the bookkeeper, falsified the books. The money was all lost in speculation. Our auditors have verified the confession of Hixson to a cent, namely \$125,000. Hixson is now lodged in the Allegheny county jail, and the Union trust company will do all that is necessary to arrest C. B. Wray, who has escaped, and see that he is punished to the full extent of the law. The Union trust company on Friday, August 3, charged to profit and loss account \$125,000, the full amount of its loss."



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It should be away from the shade of other trees. Its bark is ashy gray and what is known as flaky.

Its lovely oval, alternate leaves are pleasantly pointed and double serrate. It grows all the way from Newfoundland to Florida and then onward to the distant Lone Star State.

The elm of old England was planted in New England by a wheelwright who found it superior for the hubs of his wheels.

## SEA BATHING HINTS.

Never bathe directly after a meal. It is dangerous. After dressing take a brisk walk to restore the circulation.

Don't go into the water when you are feeling chilly or out of sorts. The first bath of the season should not last longer than a quarter of an hour.

However well bathing may suit you, never remain in the water longer than half an hour at a time.—New York Mail.

## A Mystery Solved.

"How to keep off periodic attacks of biliousness and habitual constipation was a mystery that Dr. King's New Life Pills solved for me," writes John S. Pleasant of Magnolia, Ind. The only pills that are guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction to everybody or money refunded. Only 25c at Red Cross Pharmacy.

## Printing Ink.

Printing ink is made of linseed oil, resin, soap and lampblack or other coloring matter.

## The Woodpecker.

The first wood pecker was the woodpecker, and so accurate is his work that the hole he bores in the tree is as exactly circular as though measured by a pair of compasses.

## Fruit Skins.

The skins of fruit should never be eaten, not because they are not palatable or digestible or are unhealthful in themselves, but on account of the danger arising from microbes, which may have penetrated into the covering of the fruit.

## The Otter's Tail.

The tail of the otter serves not only as a rudder, but also as a means of propulsion. Its movements closely resembling those of a screw propeller.

## Sympathetic Ink.

A good sympathetic ink is made with the chloride of copper. Writing or drawing on paper with this ink is invisible at ordinary temperatures, but when the paper or parchment is heated the writing or drawing at once appears of a beautiful yellowish color.

## The Maori Language.

The Maori language is a Polynesian dialect. It closely approaches that of the Sandwich Islands, of the Navigator's group and of Rarotonga. Natives of these mutually understand one another.

## The Civil War.

During the civil war the federal government enlisted a grand total of 2,772,408 men.

## Patents in Canada.

During the first year of a patent granted in Canada the patentee may import the article into the Dominion, ready made. Within two years he must either begin the manufacture of his device in Canada or arrange that Canadian importers may bring in the article on terms as advantageous as though it were made there.

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